

Therapeutic Recreation Talk of the Town



COORDINATOR CORNER

The fall season is coming. We are looking forward to some cooler weather and hope to see all the athletes and their families at the new event coming up in November. Read below about the Walk, Roll & Stroll event on November 3.

Also, we are looking forward to Fall Championships on October 5-6 in Surprise. We have over 65 athletes competing in golf, swimming or softball. Good luck to all the athletes.

Finally, we want to wish Travis Anderson the best of luck in China. Travis will represent Chandler, Arizona and the United States well.

WALK, ROLL OR STROLL FOR DISABILITIES

The Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities will be hosting a fundraiser/awareness event on Saturday, November 3 at Desert Breeze Park. It will be just what it says a Walk-Roll or Stroll-a-thon to help families connect and raise awareness of programs in Chandler and the valley for people with disabilities.

Save the date today so you will be ready and start talking to your friends about helping to make this a good event. Anyone earning over \$25 in sponsorships will receive a t-shirt and there will be first, second and third place prizes for the top three amounts raised.

The money raised in this event will help pay for scholarships for individuals with disabilities as well as helping with Special Olympics and other programs that benefit people with disabilities. Don't miss out. Watch for pledge forms in the mail shortly.

I HEARD IT THRU THE GRAPEVINE

- RAD & the Hayes Family made donations to Chandler Special Olympics to purchase new shirts for the golf program to keep the athletes cooler.
- The Yamashiro Family donated money to purchase a new canopy for our program.
- Donna Kempster made a donation to order golf towels for the golfers to use with Chandler Special Olympics logos

CHANDLER SPECIAL OLYMPICS WISH LIST

- Towels for the swimmers
- Warm ups for the floor hockey team
- A video camera for the department to help make the annual video.

If you would like to donate any of the items above or your time, please call Collette Prather at 480-782-2709

SOCIAL PROGRAM, SPECIAL OLYMPICS AND CLASS REGISTRATION PROCESS

Please take the time to fill out the registration form for each event you would like to participate in (unless noted that separate registration is needed) so we can process your registrations easier.

Registration is NOT accepted by calling. Please send all registration material to:

Chandler Parks and Recreation Attention: TR Registration Mail Stop 501, PO Box 4008 Chandler, Arizona 85244-4008

Faxes are accepted <u>ONLY</u> when no payment is required. Our fax number is 480-782-2725.

Therapeutic Recreation Staff

Questions? Give us a call at (480) 782-2709 or email collette.prather@chandleraz.gov

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MAYOR'S COMMITTEE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Education-based scholarships are available for Chandler residents with disabilities who would like to pursue an education. These funds are made possible by proceeds from the annual Chandler Golf Challenge. You can receive an application by calling Joan Barron at 480-963-7182.

BE FIRST TO GET YOUR NEWSLETTER!

We are compiling an email listsery to deliver information more efficiently. Please send Collette Prather an email with the subject of: listsery email. The email address is: collette.prather@chandleraz.gov

RAD HELPS YOU, NOW YOU CAN HELP RAD

When you shop at Bashas' give the RAD number of 24609 and you can help RAD earn money to pay for upcoming sports. This is a simple way to help, you only have to give the number one time and it will be connected with your shopping card.

Take a few minutes to write this number down, 24609, take it with you the next time you shop at Bashas', give the number to the cashier and help RAD earn money. Then give the number to everyone you know and ask them to help RAD too!

AZ CARDINALS HELP ATHLETES LEARN ABOUT FOOTBALL

Several athletes from Chandler attended the flag football clinic with the Arizona Cardinals and then attended the game for free also. What a fun day for everyone. Thank you to the Cardinals' and SOAZ for making it possible.



SCHOLARSHIPS CANNOT BE USED FOR FNSC FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL CLUB (FNSC)

Friday, September 14—Party for Travis

- NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!
- Ages 16 and older
- Travis is going to China as a coach for Special Olympics. Help us send him off in style with a party.
- This event is free but registration is required. Families welcome to attend.
- Chandler Community Center—125 E. Commonwealth

Drop off: 6:30 p.m./ Pick up: 8:30 p.m.

Friday, September 21—Circus

- THIS EVENT IS FULL
- Ages 16 and older
- Watch the clowns, elephants, lions, tigers & more!
- Van Location: Chandler Senior Center—202 E. Boston
- Drop off: 5:30 p.m./ Pick up: 9:30 p.m.

Friday, October 12—Schnepf Farms

- Registration Code: #3380.167
- Ages 16 and older
- <u>Cost:</u> \$12.00 in <u>ADVANCE</u>. Pre-registration is required by October 5, 2007.
- Suggested spending money of \$15.00 if you wish to eat or participate in other activities.
- Van Location: Chandler Senior Center –202 E. Boston
- Drop off: 6:30 p.m./ Pick up: 11:00 p.m.

Friday, October 26 — Ever Popular Annual Halloween Dance

- NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!
- Ages 16 and older
- Cost: \$3.00 donation at the door
- Come in costume, dance the night away, visit the spooky haunted house and see friends
- Location: Chandler Community Center—125 E. Commonwealth
- Drop off: 6:30 p.m./ Pick up: 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 3—Walk, Roll & Stroll for Disabilities

- NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!
- All ages, family & friends
- Cost: raise pledges, a \$25 donation in pledges or more earns a t-shirt
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes for the most pledges will be given out.
- Location: Desert Breeze Park
- Drop off: Come with your family. More information will be sent by mail.

Friday, November 9—Peter Piper Pizza

- Registration Code: 3383.167
- Ages 16 and older
- Cost: \$5.00 at the door
- Enjoy pizza and socialize with friends at Peter Piper Pizza. Playing games—optional but fun!
- Location: Peter Piper Pizza

 Alma School & Queen Creek Rds.
- Drop off: 6:00 p.m. Pick up: 8:00 p.m.

RAD will be providing another free movie in December 2007 for all athletes 12 and older. Watch for details in the next newsletter.

SEND OFF PARTY FOR WORLD GAMES

Travis Anderson is going to world games as a coach for Special Olympics, so we are having a party! We will play games, dance, eat fortune cookies and other good stuff.

> FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2007 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Chandler Community Center—125 E. Commonwealth

FREE FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS—COME SEND TRAVIS OFF WITH A BANG! NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED—JUST COME TO HAVE A GOOD TIME

All ages, families and friends are welcome.

"It's a Wonderful Life" Drama Club

Do you love to sing, dance and be on stage? Have you always wanted to be a star. Come to this class. Each person will participate in at least one solo, duet or group performance on stage as a star. Pick out music for the holidays and be ready to share.

Mondays: October 15-December 10 6:30-8:00 p.m. **Final Performance on December 17**

Chandler Senior Center—202 E. Boston Final performance at the Chandler Community Ctr.

> **Class Fee: \$20.00** Activity Code: 3367.127 Ages 12 and older

TUESDAY TOURNAMENT UNIFIED BOWLING

Bring two athletes and two non-disabled partners and come play in this exciting league.

Tuesdays, September 18-Feb 2007 at 6:30 p.m. Chandler AMF—1900 N. Arizona Ave.

Sport Fee: FREE—paid by RAD **Bowling Fee:** \$12 per week Activity Code: 3369.137

Ages 12 and older, limited to 12 teams



FLOOR HOCKEY SEASON 3

Floor hockey is physical, fast and fun. Join us for the action on the court.

Tuesdays, Nov 27, 2007-Feb 22, 2008

Location/Time: TBA Sport Fee: FREE—paid by RAD Activity Code: 3370.137 Ages 16 and older



Watch for details about the **Annual Mistletoe** Magic dance on Saturday, December 15, 2007.



Therapeutic Horseback Riding

This is a class that offers a unique approach to physical, emotional and recreation therapy for kids and adults with a wide range of disabilities. We have specially trained horses that help make the best experience for all who participate. Classes are geared to each rider as an individual and are aimed toward their own abilities. You must have a current physical on file in Chandler by the first class.

Mondays: Sept 10-Nov 19 from 6:00-7:00 pm.

Valley Silver Bullets—

1991 S. Tumbleweed Ln., Chandler 85248 Class Fee: \$20.00 paid to the City of Chandler Instructor Fee: \$150 paid to Valley Silver Bullets

> Activity Code: 3366.127 Ages 8 and older

Junior SO Bowling League

Special Olympics bowling is for kids of all ages starting at age 6. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to bowl with friends. This league will not use bumpers in order to be eligible to compete in Special Olympics.

Saturdays: September 22-Dec 1 at 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Chandler AMF Lanes-1900 N. Az Ave. **Sport Fee:** FREE—paid by RAD

Weekly Fee: \$6.00 paid to the bowling alley

Activity Code: 3368.177 Ages 6 –21 only



City of Chandler Parks and Recreation Division

Therapeutic Recreation Program

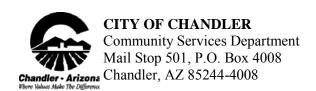
Calendar of Events

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2007

Check out the calendar on-line! http://www.chandleraz.gov/therapeutic

Event Highlights

Friday, September 14—Party for Travis Friday, September 21—Circus Friday, October 12—Schnepf Farms Friday, October 26—Annual Halloween Dance Sat, November 3— Walk. Roll or Stroll for Disabilities Friday, November 9—Peter Piper Pizza







City of Chandler Parks and Recreation Division Special Olympics/Activity Registration Form

The City of Chandler Therapeutic Recreation program offers a 1:8 ratio or better of staff/volunteer to participants at each event. If you require more assistance, you are required to provide your own caregiver. All caregivers or other <u>chaperones must also sign up for every event</u> and all event fees must also be paid for accompanying chaperone.

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Chandler Parks and Recreation
Attention: Collette Jones
Mail Stop 501, PO Box 4008

Chandler, AZ 85244-4008